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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Document A1 is a U.S. counterpart of Document A6.

Document A2 is a U.S. counterpart of Document A5.

Document A4 relates to a space fading simulator for a base station array signal, which evaluates Doppler variation and arrival angle of electromagnetic wave received by an array antenna in a dark room.

Document A6 relates to a propagation environment notification method which involves transmitting radio propagation environment information, generated based on received conditions by serve, from ser to use terminal.

Document A7 relates to an electric-wave emission control system forms imitation electric-wave emission timing signal, based on electric-wave emission timing signal from source of electric-wave emission.

Document A8 relates to a test device for radio terminals – enables fading in output terminal of transmitting gain controller by controlling phase and amplitude of base station signal.

Document A9 relates to a field strength calculation device for mobile communication system – has calculation unit which determines electric power of electromagnetic wave at receiving point and computes field strength of electromagnetic wave at receiving point.

Documents A2, A3, A5 and A10, listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding International application. A copy of the International Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. An English-language counterpart of the foreign-language documents has not been provided. The absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP§609).

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